

Fishing... Luring in the Big One!

Cupsogue Beach is a surfcaster's paradise. Test your luck and skill at snagging record setting striped bass, bluefish, blowfish, weakfish and flounder from bay and ocean waters. Check with NY State Department of Environmental Conservation, or park personnel for current NYS size limit and catch quantity regulations.

Ask about Suffolk County's special night fishing and outer beach access opportunities, designed to increase your odds at reeling in that big one!



Watch Your Step! *Endangered Species*

The Piping Plover, a federally protected shorebird, breeds and nests on the sandy beaches of Cupsogue in summer. Piping Plovers and their chicks (cotton ball-sized on toothpick-like legs) are very vulnerable to predation and human disturbances. Plover chicks blend-in with the color of the sand and become motionless when frightened. Watch out for



and avoid posted bird nesting areas. Do not approach or linger near birds or their nests. Check with park personnel for additional information on plovers or call 854-4949.

ATTENTION ALL OUTER BEACH USERS: The Parks Department reserves the right to prohibit vehicle use on portions of County beaches or to close beaches completely due to changes in beach conditions from natural occurrences (storms, tides, etc.), or maintenance (jetty repairs, dredging, etc.), or for best management of its lands and natural resources.

Cupsogue Beach County Park

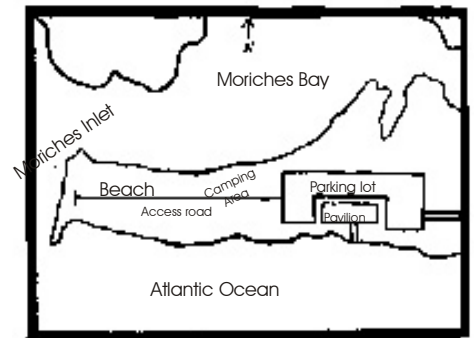
Cupsogue Beach County Park, is located on the Westhampton section of Atlantic Ocean barrier island known locally as *Dune Road*. Acting for the mainland as a front-line barricade against ocean storm surges, the shape of this popular beach retreat is continuously changing. Cupsogue was acquired by Suffolk County in the late 1950's. The pavilion and the massive boardwalk were constructed by the County in the 1970's. From 1986-1995, except for briefly, during the summer of 1991, Cupsogue Beach was closed to the public after the ravages of serious storms made it unsafe and inaccessible for the public.

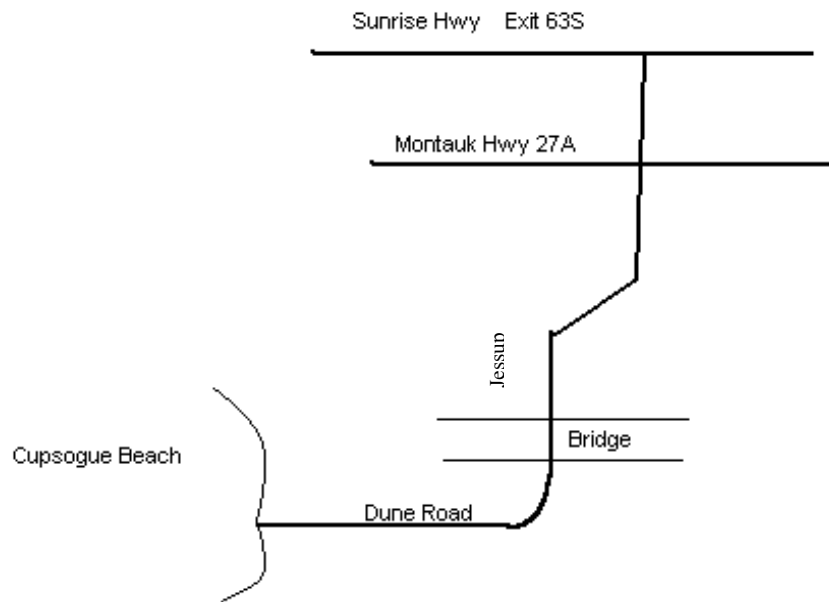
This 296 acre barrier beach park offers lifeguard-supervised Atlantic Ocean swimming (May 22 – Sept. 6), sun-bathing on white-sand beaches and some of the finest saltwater bass and bluefishing to be had on Long Island. A full service concession offers meals and refreshments at the pavilion. A first-aid center, cold showers, changing rooms and restrooms provide additional comforts.

Limited camping is available for self-contained campers only - (no tents). Camping is permitted for twenty (20) self-contained campers (with outer beach recreational vehicle permit) on a first-come first served basis at a designated area on the north side of the Moriches Inlet access road (bay side.) Nine (9) self-contained campers are permitted to camp just off Cupsogue's paved parking lot (park as directed by staff.)

All camping rules and regulations apply. (Obtain brochures from attendant.)

Special Events are held throughout the Summer. Call 288-7670 for complete list.





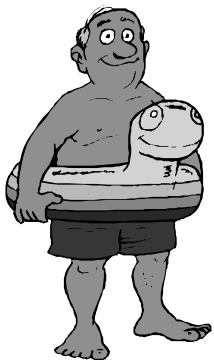
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Directions: Take Sunrise Highway (SR 27) to exit 63 South. Follow Old Country Road (CR 31) South, across Montauk Highway (27A), through the Village of Westhampton. Follow CR 31 which turns into Oak Street, then Potunk Lane, and finally into Jessup Lane. Continue South across the Jessup Lane bridge to Dune Road. Make a right turn onto Dune Road and head west to park entrance.



IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Cupsogue Beach Park Office (631) 852-8111
 Park Police Headquarters (631) 854-1422
 SC Parks Administration (631) 854-4949
EMERGENCY/POLICE 911



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